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TOKYO FOR SECRETARY SHULTZ

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT: SECRETARY SHULTZ VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA

REF: STATE 178589

1. IN SEPTEMBER 12 CONVERSATION EMBASSY OFFICERS CONVEYED TO FOREIGN AFFAIRS SECRETARIAT (AMERICAS DEPARTMENT ECONOMIC DEPUTY ACKOVSKI) CONTINUING PREFERENCE SECRETARY SHULTZ TO DEPART BELGRADE IN LATE MORNING SATURDAY.

2. IN ENSUING DISCUSSION IT BECAME APPARENT THAT THE YUGOSLAVS HOLD RATHER STRONG VIEWS ON THE SUBJECT. ACKOVSKI STRESSED THAT DINNER FRIDAY EVENING, BECAUSE SECRETARIES SHULTZ AND DENT AND PARTY WOULD BE ARRIVING LATE AND FATIGUED, WOULD BE INFORMAL AND RELAXED IN NATURE. THUS THE LUNCHEON ON SATURDAY (WITH VICE PREMIER SIROTKOVIC AS HOST) WOULD PRESENT THE ONLY REAL OPPORTUNITY TO PROPERLY FETE DISTINGUISHED VISITORS. ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS ACKOVSKI NOTED THAT THE TIME AVAILABLE FOR OFFICIAL ASPECTS OF THE VISIT IS VERY LIMITED. HE SAID THAT TALKS COULD END BY 11:30 SO THAT

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LUNCHEON COULD BEGIN AT NOON AND GROUP STILL DEPART BEFORE MID-

AFTERNOON.

3. UNFORTUNATELY, THESE CEREMONIALS ARE IMPORTANT HERE, AND
EMBASSY IS OF THE OPINION THAT THE IMPACT OF THE VISIT WILL BE
SIGNIFICANTLY ENHANCED BY ACCEPTANCE OF THE LUNCHEON INVITATION.
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